Modification history

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| Release | Comments |
| Release 1 | This version released with AHC Agriculture, Horticulture and Conservation and Land Management Training Package Version 3.0. |

| AHCPHT2003 | Hand prune vines |
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| Application | This unit of competency describes the skills and knowledge required to hand prune vines using a variety of hand-operated or handheld equipment.The unit applies to individuals who work under general supervision and with limited autonomy and some accountability for their own work.No occupational licensing, legislative, or certification requirements are known to apply to this unit at the time of publication.All work must be carried out to comply with workplace procedures, in accordance with State/Territory work health and safety, and food safety regulations, legislation and standards that apply to the workplace. |
| Prerequisite Unit | Nil |
| Unit Sector | Production horticulture (PHT) |

| Elements | Performance Criteria |
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| Elements describe the essential outcomes. | Performance criteria describe the performance needed to demonstrate achievement of the element. |
| 1. Prepare for hand pruning | 1.1 Confirm work instructions and identify potential work health and safety (WHS) hazards and controls in accordance with workplace procedures1.2 Select and use personal protective clothing and equipment relevant to the job role1.3 Ensure pruning equipment is ready for use in accordance with manufacturers and workplace specifications |
| 2. Hand prune vines | 2.1 Start and operate pruning equipment safely and according to operator instructions2.2 Monitor equipment performance to ensure performance is maintained within specification2.3 Prune vines in accordance with instructions2.4 Recognise, rectify and report anomalies and problems in accordance with workplace procedures2.5 Maintain equipment in good working order according to operator instructions |
| 3. Complete hand pruning operations | 3.1 Shut down equipment safely according to operator instructions3.2 Clean and store equipment3.3 Dispose of vine cuttings according to environmental and work procedures3.4 Undertake work to comply with workplace environmental guidelines3.5 Record workplace information according to workplace procedures |

| Foundation SkillsThis section describes those language, literacy, numeracy and employment skills that are essential for performance in this unit of competency but are not explicit in the performance criteria. |
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| Skill | Description |
| Reading | * Interpret textual information from a variety of workplace documents accurately
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| Oral Communication | * Converse clearly using industry-specific language
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| Navigate the world of work | * Follow clear instructions within defined level of responsibility
* Recognise own work performance and seek assistance where required
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| Get the work done | * Recognise and act on opportunities for continuous improvement in accordance with workplace practices
* Respond to routine problems using step-by-step instructions and procedures
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| Unit Mapping Information |
| Code and title current version | Code and title previous version | Comments | Equivalence status |
| AHCPHT2003 Hand prune vines | FDFWGG2003A Hand prune vines | Updated to meet Standards for Training PackagesCode changed to reflect changed training packageMinor changes to elements and performance criteria for clarity | Equivalent unit |

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| TITLE | Assessment requirements for AHCPHT2003 Hand prune vines |
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| Performance Evidence |
| An individual demonstrating competency must satisfy all of the elements and performance criteria in this unit.There must be evidence that the individual has demonstrated the following at least once:* using personal protective clothing and equipment
* following pruning equipment safety procedures
* starting and operating hand pruning equipment safely according to operator instructions
* pruning correctly according to instructions
* performing shut down procedures according to operator instructions
* following environmental procedures
* disposing of cuttings according to instructions
* maintaining records according to workplace guidelines.
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| Knowledge Evidence |
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| An individual must be able to demonstrate the knowledge required to perform the tasks outlined in the elements and performance criteria of this unit. This includes knowledge of:* basic components of and the purpose for pruning vines, including:
* basic difference between cane and spur pruning
* pruning requirements
* different parts of the vine, including vine trunk and permanent framework, canes and/or cordons, and tendrils and buds
* techniques and principles of pruning vines:
* selecting the best possible spurs and canes
* positioning spurs or canes
* cleanly removing sucker shoots
* leaving the correct quantity of spurs, rods and buds
* making cuts correctly and cleanly
* recognising and removing unwanted growth
* rolling and securing extension canes onto trellis wire
* work health and safety (WHS) hazards and controls:
* purpose and application of personal protective clothing and/or equipment
* selecting, fitting and using appropriate personal protective clothing and equipment
* correct operating procedures for pruning equipment, including:
* handling pruning equipment safely
* oiling moving parts and sharpening procedures
* safe handling of pruning equipment
* starting up and operating automatic pruning equipment as required
* monitoring and recognising performance problems with pruning equipment
* cleaning and storage requirements of pruning equipment
* using appropriate cleaning techniques
* recognising and reporting problems and anomalies
* shut down procedures, including:
* response to emergency situations
* routine shutdown requirements
* processes for the routine preventive maintenance of equipment
* processes for cleaning and storing equipment
* identifying, rectifying and reporting environmental non-compliance
* processes for maintaining work area to meet housekeeping standards:
* environmental issues and controls
* disposal requirements of vine cuttings
* procedures and responsibility for reporting problems and anomalies
* recording workplace information.
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| Assessment Conditions |
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| Assessment of skills must take place under the following conditions:* physical conditions:
* a workplace or an environment that accurately represents workplace conditions
* resources, equipment and materials:
* personal protective clothing and equipment
* pruning equipment, services and corresponding information
* products and materials
* cleaning procedures, materials and equipment
* documentation and recording requirements and procedures
* specifications:
* work procedures, including advice on company practices, safe work practices, quality and environmental requirements
* instructions, information, specifications and schedules.

Assessors of this unit must satisfy the requirements for assessors in applicable vocational education and training legislation, frameworks and/or standards. |

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